Rev. a. a. Phelps

or

Elizur Wright Jr.

I know you may miss one object, if you cannot call yourselves a "State" Society; — but depend upon it, neither this nor any object is worth attaining through what would be thought a trick, whether justly or not.

This note may go on false premises. If it is unnecessary, I shall be very glad to hear it.

Your friend,

Ellis Gray Loring.

take so unprecedented a
step as to take a name
that has been previously
assumed by another Society.
I hope too that you will
not take any name that
shall come so near ours
that it cannot readily be
discriminated from it.

I have not a spark
of ill-will towards any member
of the new Society & do not
wish to see you put yourselves
so in the wrong before the
public, as I think you would
do, by taking such a step.

Ellis Gray Loring.
Boston, May 29, 1839.

Private, but not Confidential.

N. Am. Soc. A.S.

Dear Sir,

I write you this note not wishing to interfere improperly with the doings of your meeting which I understand to be engaged in forming a new Society. I therefore address you as a private friend, who may take the liberty of making a Suggestion, without giving offence.

I hear perhaps incorrectly, that you intend Calling your new Society a "State Society".

I hope you will not